

AB Sawyer Park Master Plan

January 17, 2012 Neighborhood Meeting





Meeting Agenda

- Welcome/Introductions
- Study Area
- Master Planning Process Overview
- Master Plan Alternatives
- Public Discussion
- Next Steps
- Adjourn



Why Master Plan?

To **develop a comprehensive vision** for AB Sawyer Park **in context with its location, natural resources, and community needs**

Master Plan provides a framework for the use and development of the park
over time

Study Area

A.B. Sawyer Park
9300 Whipps Mill Rd., 40242
(Whipps Mill and Old Mill Roads)

Size: 47.25 acres

Acquired: 1969

Metro Council Representative:
Jon Ackerson, 18th



This aerial map illustrates the Willow Springs area and its surrounding neighborhoods. Concentric circles are drawn around the center of the map, representing distances of 1/2 mile, 1 mile, and 1 1/2 miles. The Willow Springs area is highlighted with a red outline. Surrounding neighborhoods include Moorland, Hurstbourne Green, Forest Green, Owl Creek, Old Dorsey Place, Wildwood, The Forum, Bellemeade, and Shelby Campus. The map also shows major roads such as La Grange Road, Hurstbourne Parkway, and Shelbyville Road. A scale bar and north arrow are located in the bottom right corner.

Existing Conditions





Master Planning Process

- Public Input (User Survey)
- Inventory and Assessment
 - Natural Features and Landscape
 - Man-made, Historic and Cultural
- Public Input (Public Meeting-6/2011)
- Identify Uses/Activities
- Public Input (Stakeholder Interviews)
- Alternatives Development
- Public Input (Public Meeting-1/2012)
- Draft Master Plan
- Final Master Plan



Alternatives

- 3 Alternatives Developed Based on Analysis and Public Input
- Range From Most Intensive Uses/Least Changes to Least Intensive/Most Changes
- Several New Elements Common to all Three Alternatives

Common Elements



- Increase Tree Canopy
- Improve Multi-Purpose Bldg, Restrooms, & Concession
- Practice Fields
- Additional Trails
- Improve Connections

Common Elements



- Added New Pavilion
- Improve Playgrounds
- Formalize Shared Parking Agreements

Common Elements



- Improve Signage

● Identification

● Informational

● Directional

Alternative 1



Alternative 1



- Reclaim Park Frontage
- Re-Align Park Entrance
- More Efficient Parking
- Reclaim Unused/Underutilized Paving For Green Space (49 fewer spaces but ~ equal in “useable” spaces)
- Elimination of One Way Traffic Pattern

Alternative 1



★ Parks Maintenance and
Landscape Divisions
Remain in Current Locations

- Relocate Recycling Center

Alternative 1

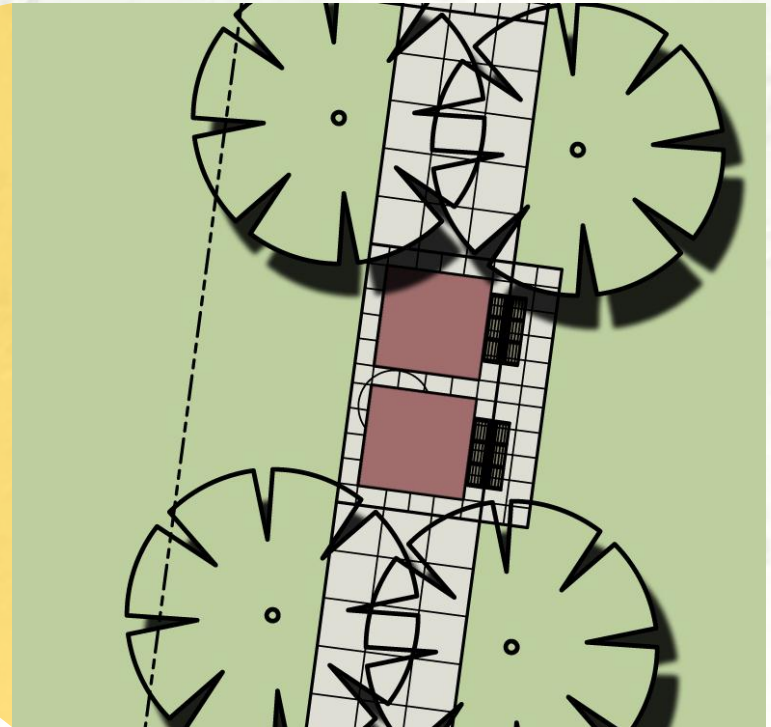


- Add Additional Trails
- New Playground
- New Pavilion

Alternative 1



- Convert drive to an “entrance promenade” to create a sense of arrival from parking to ball field complex
- Provide seating, decorative paving, and commemorative signage



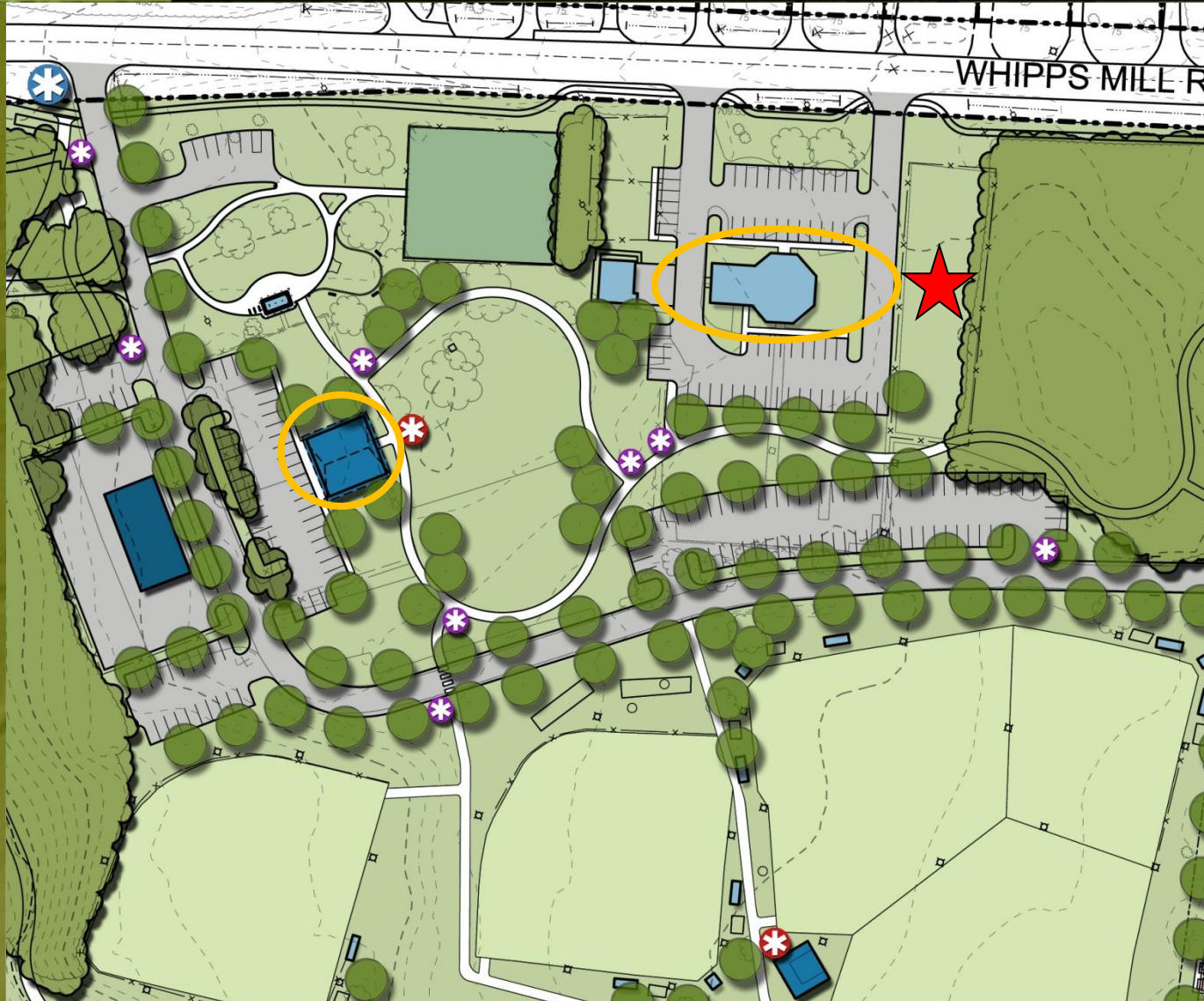
Alternative 2



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- New Pavilion Framed on Open Space
- Park Lodge
- Re-Locate Recycling Center Off-Site to Increase Green Space
- Net loss of 36 Parking Spaces (But All Are Functional)

Alternative 3



Alternative 3



- Additional Trails
- Improve Connections
- Landscape and Maintenance Moved Off-Site
- Expanded Open Space

Alternative 3



- Tennis Court Moved; New Court Added
- New Pavilion With Redesigned Parking
- Net loss of 29 Parking Spaces (But All Are Functional)

Questions/Comments



Common Elements



Next Steps

- Develop Recommended Plan
- Develop Master Plan Report

- Project Updates Website

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ab_sawyer_master_plan.htm](http://www.louisvilleky.gov/MetroParks/cityofparks/masterplans/ab_sawyer_master_plan.htm)

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Thank You!